

2009 WHIP Perennial Food Plot (645) Practice Requirement Sheet

Eligible lands: Private agricultural land, private nonindustrial forestland, and tribal lands needing additional wildlife food sources. Applies to pasture, cropland, forest openings, idle grassy areas, and other lands suitable for creation and/or enhancement of wildlife food sources and habitat.

WHIP 3 Perennial Food Plot (645) Practice Requirements:

1. **Soil test required** (University of Tennessee or any certified NAPTP Lab). Areas of contrasting soils, problem spots or portions of fields where yields are significantly different should be sampled separately, provided the area can be fertilized separately. Examples: bottomland and upland. See University of Tennessee publication PB 1061 ([UT PB1061](#)) for soil sampling information.
2. **For permanent herbaceous cover, apply lime and fertilizer** as required by soil test (University of Tennessee soil test recommendation). Lime and fertilizer are not required for temporary cover.
3. Each perennial food plot will be no less than 0.25 ac nor more than 3.0 ac in size.
4. Maximum acreage allowed for perennial food plots will not exceed 10 percent of the open land acres in the treatment unit.
5. **Seeded areas shall not be grazed** by domestic livestock for the life of the agreement.
6. **Herbicides are to be used in accordance with the label recommendations** for tame grass or weed eradication or when the no-till planting method is used.

Single Species		
Species	Rates/ac	Seeding Dates
Reseeding Soybean (lb)	20	Apr 15 - June15
Illinois Bundleflower (lb)	12	Apr 1 – June 1
Kobe Lespedeza (lb)	20	Apr 15 – June 15
Korean Lespedeza (lb)	20	Apr 15 – June 15
Partridge Pea (lb)	12	Apr 1 – June 1
Dry Site Mixture		
Species	Rates/ac	Seeding Dates
Red Clover (lb)	7.0	Feb 20 – Apr 1; Aug 15 – Oct 1
Chicory (lb)	2.0	
Crimson Clover (temporary cover) (lb)	5.0	
Winter Wheat (temporary cover) (lb)	25.0	
Moist Site Mixture		
Species	Rates/ac	Seeding Dates
Ladino Clover (lb)	4.0	Feb 20 – Apr 1; Aug 15 – Apr 1
Alsike Clover (lb)	5.0	
Berseem Clover (temporary cover) (lb)	5.0	
Winter Wheat (temporary cover) (lb)	25.0	